

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

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Patrick Dana Simpson et al.

**Our Docket : SMTT 320A**

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Group Art : 3652

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Examiner : James W. Keenan

For : REMOVABLE LOAD BED FOR A VEHICLE

## Commissioner for Patents

**ATTN: EXAMINER JAMES W. KEENAN**

**ART UNIT 3652**

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Sir:

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In the Communication dated May 5, 2003, a Restriction Requirement was placed on the application, requiring election of one of the following groups of claims for prosecution under 35 U.S.C. § 121.

Group I. Claims 12-17, drawn to a loading apparatus for mounting a movable frame on a stationary frame, classified in class 414, subclass 491.

Group II. Claims 18-35, drawn to a loading apparatus, classified in class 414, subclass 546.

Applicants hereby elect Group II, claims 18-35, for prosecution in the application.

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

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